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## REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION OF PATENT TERM ADJUSTMENT UNDER 37 CFR § 1.705(d)

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Sir:

Applicants herewith request reconsideration of Patent Term Adjustment (PTA) under 37 CFR §1.705(d) on or before the due date of February 15, 2010, which is two months after the issue date of U.S. Patent No. 7,632,922, which was granted on December 15, 2009. This paper is timely filed on February 16, 2010 as the due date falls on a Federal holiday. This request is for a revision of the PTA of 1275 days that was published on the face of the patent to 1156 days. The request is accompanied by the requisite fee under 37 CFR §1.18(e).

## REMARKS

The above-captioned patent application issued as U.S. Patent No. 7,632,922 on December 15, 2009, after Applicants paid the issue fee on November 3, 2009. The Notice of Allowance, mailed August 3, 2009, stated that the PTA up until the date of the Notice of Allowance was 288 days, which included 1005 days of USPTO delay under 37 CFR § 1.702(a), minus 717 days of Applicants' delay under 37 CFR § 1.704. Applicants did not apply for reconsideration of PTA determination under 37 CFR § 1.705(b). The Issue

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Notification, mailed November 24, 2009, stated that the PTA was 1275 days, which had been revised from the earlier term on the Notice of Allowance by including 987 days of PTA pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.702(b). The PTA of 1275 days is printed on the face of U.S. Patent No. 7,632,922. Applicants assert that the correct PTA should be revised from 1275 days, as it appears on the patent, to 1156 days based on the following facts:

- 1. The information posted on the Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) System shows that a Non-Final Rejection was mailed July 17, 2006 and Applicants' response to the rejection was mailed December 19, 2007. The USPTO reduced Applicants' PTA by a period of 428 days, which was the number of days from the three (3) month due date for a response to a non-final office action (October 17, 2006) to the date that a response to the non-final action was mailed to the USPTO (December 19, 2007) in accordance with 37 CFR §1.704(b). See, EXHIBIT A, Patent Term Adiustments as set forth in PAIR, appended hereto.
- 2. The above-referenced application became abandoned on January 17, 2007, the date which is six (6) months after the mailing of the non-final office action. A Notice of Abandonment for failure to respond to the office action was mailed on May 15, 2007. A Petition to Revive under 37 CFR § 1.137(b) was entered by the USPTO on December 19, 2007 and the date on which the petition was granted was April 16, 2008. Pursuant to 37 CFR §1.704(c)(3)(i), the delay due to Applicants from the date of abandonment to the date of grant of a petition to revive the application was 455 days.
- 3. The period of delay due to Applicants would not have ended on December 19, 2007 as Applicants' Petition to Revive under 37 CFR § 1.137(b) was not granted until April 16, 2008. Accordingly, the period of delay due to Applicants should have included 119 days until the date Applicants' petition to revive was granted.

The above-captioned patent is <u>not</u> subject to a Terminal Disclaimer.

Based on the foregoing, Applicants respectfully request that the PTA in the above-captioned patent be revised to 1156 days (1275 days minus 119 days), and that a Certificate of Correction be issued accordingly. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the requisite fee of \$200.00, under 37 CFR §\$1.705(d) and 1.18(e), to Deposit Account No. 01-0519 in the name of Amgen Inc. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fee which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 01-0519 in the name of Amgen Inc.

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